

HYDE DECIDES TO TALK BACK

SAYS HE HAS BEEN MALIGNANTLY ASSAILED FOR POLITICS.

Grand Jury News "Doled Out" Daily to Reflect on Him—No City Money Lost or in Jeopardy—Did Not Know Who Borrowed It—Whitman's Comment.

Chamberlain Hyde issued yesterday a statement about his deposits of city moneys in banks which made loans to Cummins of the Carnegie Trust Company. Part of the statement repeats explanations already made that the \$1,000,000 deposit in Robins' Northern Bank was only an overnight deposit due to the collection of taxes in the Bronx. The Chamberlain says that this has been made the basis of newspaper accusations that he put a million into the bank on some corrupt understanding, whereas the bank was selected as a depository for Bronx revenues at the instance of Comptroller Prendergast, formerly one of its directors, and the money was deposited by the Receiver of Taxes, an appointee of the Comptroller.

"Yet," says Mr. Hyde, "the public is wilfully led to believe that I kept a million dollars there to be loaned to my friends. Could anything be more diabolical?"

On other heads Mr. Hyde's statement says:

By the advice of my counsel, Samuel Intermyer, I have up to this time reluctantly refrained from replying to the inspired reports that are being announced from day to day as representing testimony given before the Grand Jury affecting my alleged official action. It is difficult to believe that the Grand Jury room is being thus invaded and its secrets doled out daily for publication in violation of law, but the stories purporting to emanate therefrom are so persistent and circumstantial that no other conclusion is possible.

There is a malign political conspiracy behind these reports and misrepresentations and I have grown tired of sitting by while my reputation is being assailed in the dark. The reports and the daily reiteration of them in one form or another can have but one purpose—to inflame and prejudice the Grand Jury and discredit me in the public mind. The attack is cowardly and underhanded. It is impossible for me to reply in detail since I have no right to believe that the secrecy of the Grand Jury investigation is being kept as a basis for a sensational and untrue story.

It is also because these false reports tend to injure the fair name and credit of the city and of its government that I have decided to warn the public against placing any credence in them.

Perhaps the first thing the public would like to know is that notwithstanding all the talk about a dollar of the city's money has been lost and that not a dollar is in jeopardy. Mr. Hyde's story as a basis for a sensational and untrue story.

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SECRET TREATY PHOTOGRAPH

STARTLING STORY OF THE GENESIS OF U. S. ARMY MOVE.

Ambassador Wilson Got Original of Japanese-Mexican Pact for an Hour Then Rushed to Washington—Gave Mikado Naval Base—Taft Ultimatum.

MEXICO CITY, April 9.—Facts of the most significant character bearing upon the reason for the sudden mobilization of just a month ago of 20,000 American troops at three points within striking distance of the Mexican border have become known here. They deal with secret relations which existed prior to March 1 between Japan and the Diaz Government; the discovery of which led to instant action by the President of the United States.

The circumstance that a man who was in possession of only half the facts concerning the hidden activity of Japan's diplomatic agents allowed his share of the secret to become public at El Paso last Wednesday has hurried the last revelation of the story of an undoubted intrigue between the Diaz Government and the representatives of the Government of Japan looking toward the securing by the latter of adequate coaling stations on the Pacific coast of the republic.

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WOMAN MAYOR WINS.

Town Council Gives Mrs. Wilson Her Certificate of Election.

HUNNEWELL, Kan., April 9.—Ella Wilson will be Mayor and will preside over the Council on Monday night when the Council meets to elect a Mayor.

There is some muttering among his friends, but he seems inclined to give up the struggle and allow his fair opponent to steer the ship without further annoyance. The old Council accepted the advice of its attorney and issued a certificate of election to Mrs. Wilson.

"Yes, I have the certificate, will take the oath of office Monday and expect to preside at the regular meeting of the new Council Monday night. As to appointments, I have not fully decided what I will try to do, because of an uncertainty as to what I can do. There is no city marshal now, but there will be if I can get one. Also the pool halls will be closed or put under strict regulation as to make them harmless to the youth of Hunnewell."

"But there are five Councilmen, and I may not get very far with any reforms I wish to put in force. I want Hunnewell to be a cleaner city, but can only tell how much or how little hope there is for betterment when I have an opportunity to observe the attitude of the members of the new Council."

SHOT HIMSELF IN PARIS.

Herman Guthmann, Clerk to August Belmont, Is in a Very Serious Condition.

PARIS, April 9.—Herman Guthmann, said to be engaged in the banking business in America, shot himself to-day at the Hotel Continental. He is in a hospital in a serious condition.

One report is that he is an employee of August Belmont.

August Belmont said last night that Herman Guthmann was a correspondence clerk in his office and that he considered Mr. Guthmann a valuable man. Guthmann went abroad for a vacation, Mr. Belmont said, and incidentally was attending to some matters for the firm on the other side.

Mr. Belmont said he knew of no reason why Guthmann should wish to kill himself as he was successful in business and trusted by the firm. No word of the shooting had reached Mr. Belmont directly.

Guthmann is 46 years old and is unmarried. He lives with his mother and two sisters at 245 West 121st street, this city. His father died twenty years ago.

SHOT BIRDS IN BRONX PARK.

Four Italians Caught—Two Held for Trial, Two Fined.

The banging of a revolver in Bronx Park on Saturday afternoon caused Special Policeman Harry Van Ben Schoten of the park to search out the shooters. Through the trees the special policeman saw four Italians killing birds and squirrels with revolvers. Van Ben Schoten followed at a distance until the four men left the park.

He arrested them at the Van Nest entrance to the park as they were going home with birds and squirrels in their pockets. Yesterday two of the men were held by Magistrate Corrigan in \$500 bail for carrying concealed weapons. The other two were fined \$10 each.

The park authorities were happy because of the arrests. There have been many offences of the kind, the park people say, but until Saturday afternoon no one had been captured.

FOR AN ARBITRATION COURT.

President Delano of the Wabash Wants New Plan for Settling Labor Disputes.

CHICAGO, April 9.—The importance of a change from the present methods of settling labor and wage disputes, especially among railroad men, is urged by President F. A. Delano of the Wabash in a letter to the *Redeemer* published yesterday.

Mr. Delano advocates a permanent court of arbitration, to be composed of men specially fitted for their duties by reason of experience and special training, and including representatives of the general public as well as of the employers and employees.

Arbitration of labor disputes in this country is comparatively a new thing. Mr. Delano points out, and in its present form he asserts that it is unsatisfactory both to employer and employee.

The new court is suggested to take the place of the present system provided for in the Erdmann law—a board of three, one partisan for each side, and an arbitrator to decide between them.

CHARLES A. MCCARTNEY HURT.

Brooklyn Man's Automobile Turns Turtle—Jaw Broken and Arm Fractured.

A touring car owned and driven by Charles A. McCartney of 333 Seventh street, Brooklyn, struck a muddy spot on the South Country road between Islip and South Islip yesterday afternoon and turned a somersault opposite the Plum estate. Mr. McCartney and four friends were thrown from the car at the time.

None of the others was badly hurt. Mr. McCartney was on his way to view the stranded Princess Irene and was going at a good rate at the time of the accident. According to passersby he lost control of the steering gear and his wheels skidded. As soon as his four friends had picked themselves up out of the mud they went to the residence of Dr. J. L. Halsey at Islip and he did what he could for the injured man at the roadside. He then took him to a nearby rooming house and later put him on a train for Brooklyn at Islip. He was taken to the Seney Hospital, where it was said late last night that he was resting comfortably. The car was not badly damaged, as it turned a complete somersault and landed on its wheels again. Mr. McCartney is superintendent of the John W. Masury & Son paint works on Jay street, Brooklyn.

PREACHER, SANDBAGGED, DIES

TWO MEN ATTACK HIM UNDER QUEENSBORO BRIDGE.

Luigi Usay Was a Student and Assistant Pastor—Boy Saw Murder and Followed Man Whom a Woman Joined—No Reason Ascertained for Crime.

Luigi Usay, an Italian student in the Bible Teachers Training School and assistant pastor of the John Hall Memorial Chapel at Sixty-first street and First avenue, was sandbagged late Saturday afternoon at First avenue and Fifty-ninth street by two men. He died yesterday noon at Flower Hospital without having fully regained consciousness.

A man named Otto Schaffer of 417 East Sixty-fourth street was arrested last night at Sixty-second street and Second avenue by Detective McGee and locked up on a charge of homicide.

According to McGee, Schaffer admitted having a fight with an Italian yesterday afternoon under the Queensboro Bridge and said his wife had complained that an Italian had insulted her there. Schaffer says he had been drinking and meeting an Italian he had not seen before accused him of insulting his wife. The Italian struck at him and he hit back, knocking the man down. As he fell the man's head struck against the stone work of the bridge. Schaffer left him lying there.

Thomas Cronin, a fourteen-year-old boy living at 34 Sutton place, told the police the best story of the encounter. He was playing tag near where First avenue goes under the Queensboro Bridge and saw three men there. One of them fell to the sidewalk, but Thomas could not say which one struck Usay nor what he was struck with.

The two other men at once set out on the run and went through the arch to Sixtieth street. Here one of them, he said, went into a room on the corner of First avenue and the other ran to Second avenue and turned north.

When he saw that the boy was following him he told the youngster to quit chasing him. A woman with a baby appeared then and seemed to be with the fleeing man, and she also told the boy to let the man alone.

The boy kept on, though, and was the only one in pursuit. He says he saw the man board a northbound surface car, get off and then board another going in the same direction.

Thomas then went back to the scene of the encounter and found Policeman James Tierney on the job. Tierney got an ambulance from the Flower Hospital, rode to the hospital with the unconscious man, and then went back and started a search for the man who had run into the saloon. The boy, who went with him, could pick out no one who resembled either of the assailants.

Young Cronin described the man who entered the saloon as an Italian in workman's clothes and wearing a cap. The man who escaped on the car, he said, was not a foreigner, wore a dark suit, slouch hat, had no front teeth, was young and of medium build. The woman who ran with him seemed to be his wife. She could not be found later either.

Detective McGee of the Central Office, but attached to the West Sixty-seventh street station, went out with Thomas last night in hopes that he might identify one of the assailants in the neighborhood.

From another witness it was learned that Usay was engaged in the beginning of the encounter with a woman and that the woman ran across the street and fled Usay with something that resembled a sandbag.

At the autopsy performed by Dr. Schultz it was found out that death was caused by a blow of a sandbag over the left ear which had fractured the skull in three places. Coroner Winterbottom has been assigned to the case.

Usay lived at 239 East Sixtieth street, which is the Italian branch of the Bible Teachers Training School, where about twenty young Italian students make their home. The Rev. W. W. Keckum, secretary of the school, said last night that he thought Usay had been in this country about five years.

He was 29 years old and had been a student for the ministry two years. Besides being an assistant to the Rev. Thomas Trepani, the pastor of the John Hall Memorial Chapel, Usay was actively interested in mission work among his countrymen and did some work for the Evangelical Committee of New York.

No motive for the assault has been uncovered. Usay had some money and it was with him but these were not disturbed. He was a Sicilian and used to be a socialist. He also had friends among the anarchists, but it was said by his friends that they thought he had given up his radical beliefs when he was converted in a tent meeting a couple of years ago.

His friends were sure that Usay worked among his Sicilian and anarchistic friends for the purpose of converting them and did not indulge in any of their activities. Usay's habits were good. He never left the student home after hours.

It is the opinion of the police that he was the victim of the revenge of some countryman of his who laid in wait for him under the Queensboro Bridge, which is deserted even in the afternoon and which is in the route Usay would take in going from the main building of the Bible Teachers Training School at 541 Lexington avenue to the John Hall Memorial Chapel.

SWIFT AS A DESTROYER.

British Battleship Cruiser, Indefatigable, Expected to Make 30 Knots.

LONDON, April 9.—The battleship cruiser Indefatigable made 29 knots in her recent twenty-four hour speed trial, a record that exceeds that of any warship, except those of the destroyer class.

The vessel made 27 knots last December on a thirty hour trial while using only three-quarters of her estimated horsepower. Since then she has been fitted with a new steam pipe. It is believed that the vessel will be able to develop 30 knots.

Cardinal Gibbons urges Catholics to use the Manual of Prayer. Attractive Easter Gift. John Murphy Co. Stationer and Book and Gift Store.

ABENAHON HAS HYDROPHOBIA.

Formerly Secretary of the Highlanders Dangerously Ill in Hospital.

Abraham Nahon, former secretary of the New York American League Baseball Club, is dangerously ill with hydrophobia in the Neurological Institute at 149 East Sixty-seventh street.

Mr. Nahon was playing with his pet bulldog about three months ago at his home in Park Hill, Yonkers. He had a slight cut on his hand. The dog licked his hand. Later the dog developed symptoms of rabies and was destroyed. The wound on Mr. Nahon's hand was cauterized. There was no evidence that Mr. Nahon had been infected with the disease until last Friday. He was taken to the hospital for treatment, but his condition continued to grow worse. Last night it was said that there was small chance of his recovery.

Abraham Nahon used to be a sheetwriter at local racetracks for some of the best known bookmakers. When the Highlanders were organized in 1903, Frank Farrell, owner of the club, put Nahon in as secretary. He kept that job until about three years ago, when he resigned to go with the Bradley-Gaffney-Stears contracting company. Recently he has been associated with a firm of expert accountants.

Mr. Nahon is married. His brother was with him at the hospital last night.

CRYING BABY SMOTHERED.

Father Blandied It Up to Stop Its Noise—Mother Aways at Work.

When Joseph Hartman, a ladies' maid in Rector's, got through her work early yesterday morning she hurried right home to 349 West Forty-fifth street and found her husband in the flat.

"How's the baby?" she asked. "The kid's all right now," he grunted. "It was crying all night, though, until a little while ago."

Mrs. Hartman went to the crib and picked up the baby, which is seven months old. It had stopped breathing. The mother ran out to the street. A neighbor, Charles McKnight, and Hartman went for a doctor.

Hartman explained that he had banded the baby up in several blankets to stop its crying. He hadn't meant any harm. Instead of coming back with a doctor he disappeared. Dr. Crook of Flower Hospital said the baby had been smothered to death.

KITE PULLS ROLLING CHAIR.

Two Boys of This City Have Fun on Boardwalk at Long Beach.

LONG BEACH, L. I., April 9.—Two boys in a rolling chair were hauled along the boardwalk this afternoon by a kite 3 1/2 by 4 feet. The motive power was the north-west wind, and the spectacle afforded much amusement to visitors. The boys were Rutledge Barry, 14 years old, of 202 West 138th street, and Frederick Bell, 15 years old, of 938 St. Nicholas avenue. Both are pupils in De Witt Clinton High School and are members of the aeronautical branch of the Y. M. C. A. and have competed with model aeroplanes in the armory tests.

They are here in the Barry cottage for the Easter vacation and are planning to build a much larger kite than the one they used on their boardwalk excursion to-day.

NO DIVORCES AT COURT.

King George Revives All the Stringency of Queen Victoria's Reign.

LONDON, April 9.—King George has revived Queen Victoria's regulation excluding from court persons who have been divorced. The Victorian rule was somewhat relaxed in the reign of King Edward VII.

The church has adopted a graduated income tax on its members and it has money to invest at the end of the first year of the experiment instead of having a deficit to meet.

Members pay 2 per cent. on incomes under \$1,000 and 5 per cent. on \$1,000 or over. The church operates under this system on a budget. The income tax plan will be made permanent.

The system provides that members shall not be asked for more than their tax and the usual Sunday collections are abandoned, the members paying monthly by check to the church treasurer.

SUNDAY MARRIAGE LICENSE.

"Marie Ashton" and Cyril Horne in a Hurry to Be Wedded.

Benjamin Jackson, a lawyer, whose office is at 307 Broadway, called up Deputy City Clerk Joseph J. Prendergast yesterday morning and asked Mr. Prendergast as a favor to be at the City Hall at 11 o'clock and issue a marriage license to friends of Mr. Jackson's. He said that they were stage folk and were to reach New York from Boston in the morning. The deputy clerk reached the City Hall at 11 o'clock, but found no candidates. Three-quarters of an hour later, as he was departing, the pair arrived in a taxi. They explained that the taxi they started in had broken down on route and that it had taken time to get another.

They gave their names as Julie Marie Ditzon, 27 years old, of 300 West Forty-ninth street, born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and Cyril Morton Horne, same age and same address, born in Westport, County Mayo, Ireland, and took out a license forthwith.

Miss Ditzon is known on the stage as Marie Ashton. She is now appearing with Mabel Hite in "A Certain Party." Mr. Horne is with Fritz Scheff.

Tom Johnson Rallies. CLEVELAND, April 9.—Tom L. Johnson rallied this morning from a sinking spell which friends feared would end in death. Mr. Johnson's farewells have been said to his family and to close friends. His autobiography is completed. All business matters are arranged. Tom Johnson is ready to die.

PRINCESS IRENE FLOATED AND IN

Will Go to Newport News Dry Dock After Discharging Cargo.

FREE OF THE SAND AT 3:30 P.M.

Rudder Stock Bent, So She Towed In—Cargo in Good Condition—No Water in Her.

The liner Princess Irene, stranded on Thursday morning on Lone Hill bar, Fire Island, was floated yesterday afternoon and towed up to the city. Her rudder stock had been bent, and although she used her own propellers to help her off the bar it was deemed prudent not to use them on the way up or until the amount of deflection of the rudder stock is precisely known. She anchored off South lightship a little before 1 o'clock this morning and will be towed to her dock as soon as the sun is up. A diver will report on the condition of her propeller, and then after discharging cargo she will steam or be towed to Newport News, where she will go into dry dock. A new rudder stock is coming from Germany by the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, due here a week from to-morrow.

The little red flag on the jackstaff of the Princess Irene which had been calling "keep on pulling" to the tugs that have swarmed around the stranded steamer came fluttering down yesterday afternoon at half past 3 o'clock. In its place the German ensign went gayly up, the water under the propellers of the Princess began to churn furiously, the two tugs that had been hauling at her stern let their whistles shriek and the Princess Irene was off for New York.

Within half an hour there wasn't a trace of the bustle that had been going on off there for eighty odd hours. Some two hundred persons stood on the beach and watched the Irene go. They didn't cheer when the big liner began to move. The men filled their pipes, turned their backs and remarked "Thar she goes."

A fresh southeast breeze had been blowing on shore in the early part of Saturday night and those interested in the fate of the Irene had been praying that it would stiffen up, for they wanted a good tide. But the wind went to the north-east and picked up a snowstorm somewhere. This made a heavy rolling sea in spite of the fact that the wind was offshore. At 4 o'clock yesterday morning with the high tide came another attempt on the part of the tug Relief and Rescue, with the revenue cutter Mohawk standing by, to budge the Irene. They moved the stern thirty feet to seaward and brought her more head on to the beach.

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